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The present invention relates generally to anti-MHC assay methodologies utilizing functionally active, recombinantly produced, truncated individual soluble MHC trimolecular complexes that are linked to a substrate. The methods include reacting a sample with the substrate having the MHC trimolecular complex linked thereto, and utilizing a means for detecting anti-MHC antibodies to identify their presence in the sample.